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1. On 25 July 1952, an AAA emplacement consisting of 6 x 37-mm AA guns was seen near the railroad bridge in Frankfurt/Oder. The guns were dug in but not camouflaged. Loading practices were performed. Each gun had a crew of six soldiers. Four circular and two sidewall tents were on the edge of the woods. Five trucks stood nearby. [redacted] an additional six guns of identical type were emplaced about 300 meters south of the railroad embankment. The area there was blocked because of the construction of the autobahn bridge. (1)

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2. On 28 July, 10 trucks [redacted] and two field kitchens were loaded at the Brandenburg/Altstadt (N 53/K 23) railroad station by about 40 to 50 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. A field kitchen served hot meals at 11 a.m. The loading was completed at about noon. [redacted] the trucks loaded did not come from barracks installations in Brandenburg. (2)

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3. At 4:15 p.m. on 30 July, a column of five half-track armored personnel carriers [redacted] and five motorcycles was seen proceeding in the direction of Vietzen coming from the direction of Roebel via Vipperow (N 54/U 33). (3)

4. On 2 August 1952, 5 rocket launchers, 5 AT guns about 40-mm, 15 trucks

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[redacted] were entrained at the Neustrelitz (N 54/U 54) railroad station. Nine 122 mm field howitzers, 8x30 to 40 mm AT guns, 1 field kitchen and 35 trucks [redacted] were entrained at 3:50 p.m. coming from Gerhart Hauptmann Strasse. A total of 22 x 82-mm mortars and 25 trucks [redacted] was entrained at 7:30 p.m.

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The trains left in the direction of Berlin. (4)

5. On 5 August, the Potsdam-Babelsberg (N 53/4 63) restricted area was evacuated by lieutenant General V. I. Churikov and returned to the German population.

25X1 [redacted] a section of the restricted area was occupied by the Verwaltungsakademie from Forst Zinna. Various construction headquarters were scheduled to be quartered in the restricted area. The entire headquarters had moved to Miensdorf.

6. On 6 August, [redacted] in Camp Sachsenhausen in Oranienburg (N 53/2 67)

25X1 [redacted] 120 soldiers received three hours of instruction daily from German craftsmen such as plumbers, locksmiths and electricians and, for additional three hours, had to work on pertinent installations in the camp under supervision of officers. [redacted]

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[redacted] the course was scheduled to last between 8 to 10 weeks. (5)

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- (1) Information on the AAA emplacement west-northwest of the railroad bridge across the Oder River, near Frankfurt/Oder. [redacted]

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- (2) The two motor vehicles [redacted] of the 6th Arty Div stationed in the Generalfeldzeugmeister Kaserne. No information is available on the destination of these shipments.

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- (3) On 23 and 25 July, two columns of the Third Shock Army were seen on this road. [redacted]

- (4) [redacted] elements of the 9th Gds Tank Div being loaded for the Jüterbog troop training grounds. [redacted]

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- (5) [redacted]

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